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SUBJECT: SUSPENSION OF MEXICAN FLUORSPAR SHIPMENTS TO  
KAISER

1. KAISER TRADING COMPANY HAS A CONTRACT WITH MINERA SAN FRANCISCO DEL ORO FOR ACID GRADE FLUORSPAR. ON AUGUST 2, 1973 MINERA RECEIVED A LETTER FROM LIC. JORGE LEIPEN GARAY, SUBSECRETARY FOR NON-RENEWABLE RESOURCES NOTING THAT MINERA WAS SELLING AT PRICES LOWER THAN PREVAILING MARKET PRICES IN US AND THAT THIS SITUATION WAS NOT IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF MEXICO. MINERA WAS ASKED TO TAKE STEPS TO CORRECT THIS SITUATION AND THE LETTER INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE: "UNTIL THE PRICE SITUATION IS CORRECTED, YOU WILL ABSTAIN FROM MAKING SHIPMENTS TO THE COMPANY REFERRED TO IN THIS COMMUNICATION." ON THIS BASIS MINERA SUSPENDED SHIPMENTS. THE PARTIES HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO AGREE ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT AND KAISER HAS REQUESTED DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANCE. KAISER OFFICIAL HAS REPORTS THAT MINERA IS CONTINUING TO SELL TO DUPONT ON LONGTERM CONTRACT AT SAME PRICES KAISER HAS BEEN PAYING.

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2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO LOOK INTO THIS MATTER AND SEE

WHAT CAN BE DONE TO GET MINERA TO HONOR THE CONTRACT. A  
REPORT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER THE HOLIDAYS WILL BE  
APPRECIATED. KISSINGER

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